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SUBJECT: TEXT OF AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND  
THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

1. UNCLASSIFIED - ENTIRE TEXT.

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3. BEGIN WHITE HOUSE PRESS RELEASES

BILATERAL INVESTMENT TREATY BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND  
THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

THE TREATY BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE

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REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN CONCERNING THE RECIPROCAL  
ENCOURAGEMENT AND PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT (THE BILATERAL  
INVESTMENT TREATY OR BIT) WILL PROVIDE LEGAL PROTECTIONS  
AND ASSURANCES FOR INVESTORS OF ONE COUNTRY IN THE  
TERRITORY OF THE OTHER COUNTRY. BY ENTERING INTO THIS  
TREATY, KAZAKHSTAN IS ESTABLISHING ITS COMMITMENT TO  
PROVIDE MANY OF THE PREREQUISITES OF AN ATTRACTIVE  
INVESTMENT CLIMATE FOR U.S. INVESTORS.

SEVERAL OF THE KEY REQUIREMENTS OF THE BIT ARE:

-- INVESTORS OF EACH COUNTRY RECEIVE TREATMENT AT LEAST  
AS FAVORABLE AS THAT GIVEN TO DOMESTIC ENTERPRISES IN  
SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES ("NATIONAL TREATMENT"), OR THAT GIVEN  
TO OTHER FOREIGN ENTERPRISES IN SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES  
("MOST-FAVORED-NATION TREATMENT"), WHICHEVER IS BETTER FOR  
THE INVESTOR, BOTH ON ESTABLISHING THE INVESTMENT AND IN  
POST-ESTABLISHMENT OPERATIONS.

-- INVESTORS ARE GUARANTEED THE UNRESTRICTED TRANSFER. IN  
A FREELY USABLE CURRENCY, OF ALL FUNDS RELATED TO AN  
INVESTMENT, INCLUDING PROFITS, DIVIDENDS, AND CAPITAL.

-- INVESTORS ARE GUARANTEED FREEDOM FROM PERFORMANCE  
REQUIREMENTS, WHICH INCLUDE REQUIREMENTS TO EXPORT GOODS  
PRODUCED BY THE INVESTOR AND REQUIREMENTS TO PURCHASE GOODS  
AND SERVICES LOCALLY.

-- EXPROPRIATION CAN ONLY OCCUR IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
INTERNATIONAL LAW: IN A NON-DISCRIMINATORY MANNER; FOR A  
PUBLIC PURPOSE; AND UPON PAYMENT OF PROMPT, ADEQUATE, AND  
EFFECTIVE COMPENSATION.

-- INVESTORS HAVE FULL ACCESS TO BINDING INTERNATIONAL  
ARBITRATION IN CASES OF DISPUTES WITH THE HOST GOVERNMENT,  
WITHOUT FIRST RESORTING TO THE LOCAL COURT SYSTEM.

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AGREEMENT ON TRADE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES ANDKAZAKHSTAN  
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THE TRADE AGREEMENT SIGNED BY THE UNITED STATES AND THE  
REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN PROVIDES FOR RECIPROCAL  
MOST-FAVORED-NATION (MFN) TARIFF TREATMENT TO THE PRODUCTS  
OF EACH COUNTRY. A TRADE AGREEMENT WAS ORIGINALLY  
CONCLUDED WITH THE SOVIET UNION IN JUNE 1990 AND APPROVED  
BY THE CONGRESS IN NOVEMBER 1991. THE U.S. AND KAZAKHSTAN  
RECENTLY REACHED AGREEMENT ON TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS TO THAT  
AGREEMENT TO REFLECT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT  
KAZAKHSTAN. U.S. CONGRESSIONAL REAPPROVAL IS NOT REQUIRED.

THE AGREEMENT WILL PERMIT KAZAKHS TO EXPORT GOODS TO THE  
UNITED STATES WHILE RECEIVING NON-DISCRIMINATORY TREATMENT  
OF THEIR GOODS. WE EXPECT THAT THIS AGREEMENT WILL CREATE  
COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR EMERGING KAZAKH ENTERPRISES  
AND PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MARKET-BASED ECONOMY IN  
KAZAKHSTAN, AND AT THE SAME TIME WILL LAY THE GROUNDWORK

FOR ENHANCED OPPORTUNITIES FOR U.S. BUSINESS.

IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING MFN FOR BOTH PARTIES, THE  
AGREEMENT:

-- PROVIDES IMPROVED MARKET ACCESS AND NON-DISCRIMINATORY  
TREATMENT FOR U.S. GOODS AND SERVICES IN KAZAKHSTAN AND  
ALSO CALLS FOR STEP-BY-STEP PROVISION OF NATIONAL TREATMENT  
FOR U.S. PRODUCTS AND SERVICES;

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-- FACILITATES BUSINESS BY ALLOWING FREE OPERATION OF COMMERCIAL REPRESENTATIONS IN EACH COUNTRY AND BY PERMITTING COMPANIES TO ENGAGE AND SERVE AS AGENTS AND CONSULTANTS AND TO CONDUCT MARKET STUDIES; AND

-- OFFERS STRONG INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS PROTECTION BY REAFFIRMING COMMITMENTS TO THE PARIS CONVENTION AND THE UNIVERSAL COPYRIGHT CONVENTION; OBLIGATING ADHERENCE TO THE BERNE CONVENTION FOR THE PROTECTION OF LITERARY AND ARTISTIC WORKS; PROVIDING COPYRIGHT PROTECTION FOR COMPUTER PROGRAMS AND DATA BASES AND PROTECTION FOR SOUND RECORDINGS; GIVING PRODUCT AND PROCESS PATENT PROTECTION FOR VIRTUALLY ALL AREAS OF TECHNOLOGY; AND PROVIDING COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE OF TRADE SECRETS.

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U.S.-KAZAKHSTAN OPIC AGREEMENT  
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THE BILATERAL OPIC AGREEMENT SIGNED BY THE UNITED STATES AND KAZAKHSTAN WILL ENABLE THE OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT

CORPORATION (OPIC) TO PROVIDE INVESTMENT INSURANCE, PROJECT FINANCING AND INVESTOR SERVICE FOR U.S. PRIVATE INVESTORS IN KAZAKHSTAN.

SIGNATURE OF THIS AGREEMENT DEMONSTRATES THE COMMITMENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO HELPING THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN KAZAKHSTAN DEVELOP, AND TO ASSISTING U.S. COMPANIES SEEKING TO INVEST THERE.

AS SUCH, IT MARKS AN IMPORTANT STEP IN ESTABLISHING NORMAL COMMERCIAL RELATIONS WITH KAZAKHSTAN.

OPIC IS A U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCY THAT PROVIDES ASSISTANCE TO AMERICAN INVESTORS IN OVER 120 DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND EMERGING ECONOMIES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

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ASSISTANCE TO KAZAKHSTAN  
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## I. HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

OPERATION PROVIDE HOPE. THE AMERICAN HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE DELIVERIES TARGETED FOR KAZAKHSTAN DURING OPERATION PROVIDE HOPE I AMOUNTED TO 171.5 TONS OF FOOD AND 51.5 TONS OF MEDICINES AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

-- UNDER PROVIDE HOPE II, NATO WILL COORDINATE THE MOVEMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 74 TONS OF MEDICAL CONSUMABLES AND 500 TONS OF FOOD.

-- ALTHOUGH THE HUMANITARIAN AID IS DELIVERED TO THE CITIES OF ALMA ATA AND SEMIPALATINSK, THE FINAL DESTINATION OF THE AID IS OFTEN TO OUTLYING CITIES AND REGIONAL OBLASTS.

PRESIDENT'S MEDICAL INITIATIVE. UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDICAL INITIATIVE, PROJECT HOPE HAS DELIVERED DOLS. 1.9 MILLION OF PHARMACEUTICALS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES TO ALMA ATA AND THE ARAL SEA REGION.

THE FUND FOR DEMOCRACY AND DEVELOPMENT. THE FUND IS NOT FOR PROFIT VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS RECEIVED FUNDING FROM THE U.S. TO FACILITATE AND MAXIMIZE THE TRANSPORTATION OF PRIVATELY DONATED HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE. THE FUND HAS ASSISTED NUMEROUS PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS IN THE TRANSPORTATION OF DONATED HUMANITARIAN

AID.

PRIVATE VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS. SEVERAL U.S. PRIVATE VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS HAVE COLLECTED FOOD, MEDICINES, AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES FOR SHIPMENT TO THE NEW INDEPENDENT STATES. SEVERAL OF THESE SHIPMENTS HAVE BEEN FUNDED BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT UNDER THE DOLS. 100 MILLION APPROPRIATED FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE. FOR EXAMPLE:

-- MERCY CORPS INTERNATIONAL. THIS ORGANIZATION HAS DONATED 80,000 POUNDS OF NUTRITIOUS GRANOLA CEREAL FOR DISTRIBUTION TO NEEDY RECIPIENTS IN THE ARAL SEA REGION.

-- NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ECUMENICAL COUNCIL, INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN SERVICES OF SAN FRANCISCO. THIS ORGANIZATION HAS DONATED 12 TONS OF MEDICINES AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES TO SUPPORT THE BOBEK CHILDREN'S CHARITY IN ALMA ATA.

-- SISTER CITIES INTERNATIONAL. THE CITY OF WAUKESHA, WISCONSIN HAS COLLECTED APPROXIMATELY 40,000 POUNDS OF HOSPITAL SUPPLIES, PHARMACEUTICALS, FOODSTUFFS, VITAMINS AND WINTER CLOTHING FOR DONATION TO ITS SISTER-CITY, KOKCHETAV, KAZAKHSTAN, FOR THE KOKCHETAV CENTRAL HOSPITAL.

## II. AMERICAN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO KAZAKHSTAN

SABIT. (SPECIAL AMERICAN BUSINESS INTERN TRAINING PROGRAM MANAGED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE). SABIT IS PLANNING TO INTERVIEW CANDIDATES IN ALMA ATA THIS SUMMER FOR A 3 - 6 MONTH MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROGRAM IN THE U.S.

IESC. (INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE SERVICES CORPS). IESC IS PREPARED TO SEND IMMEDIATELY TO KAZAKHSTAN VOLUNTEER EXECUTIVES TO PROVIDE A RANGE OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. REQUESTS FOR THESE COULD COME FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF KAZAKHSTAN, BUSINESSES, OR LOCAL COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS. VOLUNTEER EXECUTIVES ARE NORMALLY IN PLACE FOR 3 - 6 MONTHS. IN ADDITION, IESC WILL BE PLACING A PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE IN ALMA ATA IN 1993.

LOANED EXECUTIVES PROGRAM. USDA WILL PLACE U.S. AGRIBUSINESS EXECUTIVES IN KAZAKHSTAN TO WORK IN KAZAKH ENTERPRISES THIS SUMMER.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM. AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY EXPERTS

TEAM VISITED KAZAKHSTAN IN APRIL AND PROPOSED AN AUDIT OF THE ALMA ATA DISTRICT HEATING SYSTEM. A FOLLOW-UP TEAM IS

IN ALMA ATA CONDUCTING THE AUDIT. BASED ON THE RESULTS OF THIS AUDIT, EQUIPMENT WILL BE INSTALLED (IN THE AUGUST/SEPTEMBER TIMEFRAME) TO INCREASE ENERGY EFFICIENCY.

INTERNATIONAL RESIDENT HOUSING ADVISERS PROGRAM. WE WILL PLACE A RESIDENT HOUSING ADVISER IN ALMA ATA BY THE END OF AUGUST. THIS ADVISOR WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE EXPERTISE TO PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS AND PUBLIC SECTOR INSTITUTIONS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING MARKET.

RULE OF LAW. THE USC IS IN THE PROCESS OF FINALIZING A PROGRAM TO BRING JUDGES AND LEGAL EXPERTS FROM KAZAKHSTAN TO THE U.S. THIS SUMMER FOR TRAINING AND SEMINARS.

PUBLIC POLICY TRAINING. A USIA TRAINING PROGRAM IN THE U.S. FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE PRESIDENT OF KAZAKHSTAN IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN MAY 20.

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DEMOCRATIZATION. THE USG IS CURRENTLY DEVELOPING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FOCUSED ON CIVIC EDUCATION, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, POLITICAL PARTY TRAINING, AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEDIA.

LEGAL ADVISERS. THE USG WILL FUND AN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE LEGAL EXPERTS WHO CAN ASSIST KAZAKHSTAN IN DRAFTING CONSTITUTIONAL AND OTHER LAWS.

PUBLIC POLICY TRAINING. THE USG WILL SUPPORT LONG-TERM SISTER-CITY LINKAGES WITH LOCAL AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS IN KAZAKHSTAN FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRAINING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

DEVELOPING FREE MARKETS AND BUSINESS RELATIONS:--

-- FARMER-TO-FARMER PROGRAM. THE FARMER-TO-FARMER PROGRAM WILL PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR U.S. EXPERTS TO GIVE HANDS-ON EXPERTISE ON WESTERN AGRIBUSINESS METHODS.

-- EURASIA FOUNDATION. THE EURASIA FOUNDATION WILL PROVIDE A FORUM FOR CULTURAL EXCHANGE LEARNING, AND PROVIDE A MECHANISM FOR ON-THE-GROUND EXPERTISE IN THE AREAS OF MANAGEMENT AND PRIVATIZATION.

-- AMERICAN BUSINESS CENTERS. WE PLAN TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL BUSINESS CENTER WHERE U.S. BUSINESSMEN CAN COME FOR ADVICE ON LOCAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES, TRANSLATION SERVICES, AND MEETING FACILITIES WITH THE GOAL OF FACILITATING EXPANDED COMMERCIAL RELATIONS.

-- HEALTH CARE PARTNERSHIPS. WE WILL TRANSFER AMERICAN MEDICAL KNOWLEDGE AND TECHNOLOGY THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF HOSPITAL-TO-HOSPITAL PARTNERSHIPS.

-- COAL MINE SAFETY PROJECT. THROUGH A U.S.-FUNDED PROJECT, THE AFL-CIO WILL BE PROVIDING ASSISTANCE ON COAL MINE SAFETY IN THE KARAGANDA BASIN.

END TEXT OF PRESS RELEASES

## 4. BEGINTEXT OF MOU

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN  
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-- THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN (HEREINAFTER "THE PARTIES");

-- RECOGNIZING THAT THE PRESENCE OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR REPRESENTATION IN EACH OTHER'S COUNTRY CAN SERVE TO EXPAND CONTACT AND PROMOTE EXCHANGES BETWEEN THEIR TWO PEOPLES;

-- CONSIDERING THAT UNIMPEDED TRAVEL IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE EFFECTIVE PERFORMANCE OF EACH SIDE'S DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR RESPONSIBILITIES;

-- A WISHING TO SIGNIFY THE CLOSE AND COOPERATIVE NATURE OF THE RECENTLY ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN;

-- ANNOUNCE THEIR COMMON INTENTION TO BE GUIDED BY THE

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FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES:

1. ON A RECIPROCAL BASIS, THE PARTIES WILL NOT MAINTAIN AREAS IN THEIR NATIONAL TERRITORIES CLOSED TO TRAVEL BY

DIPLOMATIC OR CONSULAR PERSONNEL OF THE OTHER SIDE.

-- THE PARTIES MAY CONTINUE TO PROHIBIT ENTRY TO MILITARY BASES, SENSITIVE INSTALLATIONS, OR OTHER FACILITIES WHICH ARE CLOSED TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC WITHOUT APPROPRIATE PERMISSION.

-- IN ADDITION, NEITHER SIDE MAY ENTER PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHOUT APPROPRIATE PERMISSION.

2. ON A RECIPROCAL BASIS, PERMISSION OF THE HOST GOVERNMENT WILL NOT BE REQUIRED FOR DIPLOMATIC OR CONSULAR PERSONNEL OF THE OTHER SIDE TO TRAVEL NOR WILL SUCH DIPLOMATIC OR CONSULAR PERSONNEL BE REQUIRED TO GIVE ADVANCE NOTICE OF TRAVEL TO THE HOST GOVERNMENT.

-- IN ADDITION, SUCH PERSONS WILL BE FREE TO ARRANGE TRAVEL SERVICES DIRECTLY WITH ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING SUCH SERVICES ON THE SAME BASIS AS CITIZENS OF THE HOST COUNTRY, OR THROUGH PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT SERVICE AGENCIES WHERE SUCH EXIST, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE TRAVELLER.

3. FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE PRINCIPLES WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF FURTHER DISCUSSION BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

-- IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE UNDERSIGNED, BEING DULY AUTHORIZED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS HAVE SIGNED THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.

END TEXT OF MOU

## 5. BEGIN TEXT OF JOINT STATEMENT

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JOINT STATEMENT CONCERNING THE CONCLUSION OF A CONVENTION FOR THE AVOIDANCE OF DOUBLE TAXATION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN  
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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN INTEND TO CONCLUDE A NEW CONVENTION FOR THE AVOIDANCE OF DOUBLE TAXATION OF INCOME, TO REPLACE THE CONVENTION ON MATTERS OF TAXATION, SIGNED AT WASHINGTON IN 1973 BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS.

THE NEW CONVENTION WILL ESTABLISH THE TAX FRAMEWORK FOR WHAT BOTH SIDES HOPE WILL FURTHER THE EXPANSION OF ECONOMIC, TECHNICAL, AND CULTURAL TIES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. IT WILL PROVIDE CERTAINTY TO POTENTIAL INVESTORS ABOUT THEIR TAX LIABILITY ON INCOME EARNED FROM SOURCES IN THE OTHER COUNTRY, AND WILL REDUCE, AND IN SOME CASES ELIMINATE, THE TAX LIABILITY AT SOURCE, SO AS TO ENCOURAGE GREATER INVESTMENT FLOWS. IN ADDITION, IT WILL

PROVIDE ASSURANCES OF NONDISCRIMINATORY TAX TREATMENT, OF RELIEF FROM DOUBLE TAXATION, AND FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TAX OFFICIALS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES TO RESOLVE POTENTIAL PROBLEMS OF DOUBLE TAXATION. THE CONVENTION WILL ALSO PROVIDE FOR THE EXCHANGE OF TAX INFORMATION BETWEEN THE TAX AUTHORITIES TO HELP IMPROVE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR INCOME TAX LAWS AND THE PROVISIONS OF THE TREATY. IN SHORT, THE

NEW CONVENTION WILL GREATLY FORMALIZE THE TAX RELATIONS

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A GREAT DEAL OF PROGRESS HAS ALREADY BEEN MADE TOWARD AGREEMENT ON THE NEW INCOME TAX CONVENTION DURING MEETINGS HELD RECENTLY IN ALMA ATA. THE TWO DELEGATIONS ARE CONTINUING TO COMMUNICATE THROUGH CORRESPONDENCE AND WILL MEET AGAIN, IN WASHINGTON, DURING THE WEEK OF JUNE 8 FOR FURTHER TALKS. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT AGREEMENT WILL BE REACHED AT THAT TIME ON THE OUTSTANDING ISSUES. IT WILL ALSO BE NECESSARY TO MAKE APPROPRIATE ADJUSTMENTS IN THE TEXT TO REFLECT NEW KAZAKH TAX LEGISLATION EXPECTED TO BE INTRODUCED THIS SUMMER. IT IS OUR COMMON OBJECTIVE TO HAVE THIS NEW CONVENTION READY FOR SIGNATURE IN EARLY OCTOBER OF THIS YEAR.

END TEXT OF JOINT STATEMENT

6. BEGIN TEXT OF REMARKS

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT AND PRESIDENT NAZARBAYEV OF  
KAZAKHSTAN UPON DEPARTURE

PRESIDENT BUSH: WELL, MR. PRESIDENT, DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE KAZAKHSTAN DELEGATION, IT'S BEEN A GREAT PLEASURE TO WELCOME YOU TO THE WHITE HOUSE ON THIS HISTORIC OCCASION, THE FIRST-EVER VISIT OF THE HEAD OF STATE OF AN INDEPENDENT KAZAKHSTAN. AND I HAVE NEVER BEEN TO YOUR COUNTRY, BUT SECRETARY BAKER HAS, AND HE HAS SPOKEN TO ME ABOUT THE

TREMENDOUS POTENTIAL OF A NATION RICH IN RESOURCES, A NATION STRETCHING FROM THE STEPPES OF RUSSIA TO THE TIEN SHAN IN THE SOUTH, FOUR TIMES THE SIZE OF TEXAS.

-- MR. PRESIDENT, OUR MEETING TODAY MARKS THE BEGINNING OF A NEW RELATIONSHIP; A RELATIONSHIP MADE POSSIBLE BY THE END OF THE LONG ERA OF EAST-WEST CONFLICT THAT WE CALLED THE COLD WAR. AND WITH THE PASSING OF THE BITTER CONFLICT, WE ENTER INTO A NEW ERA OF HOPE FOR A MORE DEMOCRATIC AND FREE ORDER IN EASTERN EUROPE AND IN CENTRAL ASIA.

-- AND UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP, SIR, KAZAKHSTAN IS PURSUING A COURSE TRUE TO THESE AIMS. OUR MEETINGS TODAY CONFIRM THE MANY INTERESTS THAT WE SHARE. THE U.S. SUPPORTS YOUR INDEPENDENCE. WE BELIEVE ITS SECURITY, KAZAKHSTAN'S SECURITY IS IMPORTANT FOR STABILITY IN EUROPE AND IN ASIA. WE WELCOME PRESIDENT NAZARBAYEV'S COMMITMENT THAT KAZAKHSTAN WILL JOIN THE NONPROLIFERATION TREATY AS A NONNUCLEAR WEAPONS STATE AND THAT IT WILL ADHERE TO THE START TREATY. AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO WORK TOWARD A SIGNING OF THE NEW START PROTOCOL BY KAZAKHSTAN, UKRAINE, BELARUS, RUSSIA AND THE UNITED STATES IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE.

-- I WANT TO TAKE THIS OCCASION TO UNDERLINE OUR PLEDGE TO MAINTAIN REGULAR, HIGH-LEVEL COMMUNICATION WITH THE KAZAKH GOVERNMENT ON POLITICAL AND SECURITY ISSUES. AND THAT MEANS EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS IN NUCLEAR NONPROLIFERATION AND BEGINNING CONTACTS BETWEEN THE ARMED FORCES OF OUR TWO NATIONS.

-- BEYOND OUR COMMON SECURITY INTEREST, THE U.S. IS

COMMITTED TO HELPING KAZAKHSTAN MAKE THE TRANSITION FROM THE OLD SOCIALIST COMMAND ECONOMY TO THE FREE MARKET. WE CONTINUE TO AIM AT A TAX TREATY BETWEEN OUR NATIONS. AND TODAY WE TOOK VERY POSITIVE STEPS TOWARD INCREASED TRADE WITH THE SIGNING OF AGREEMENTS ON TRADE, BILATERAL INVESTMENT AND THE OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION.

-- THE SUREST WAY, THOUGH, TO INCREASE TRADE REMAINS FOR AMERICAN FIRMS TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMPETE FAIRLY IN KAZAKHSTAN. AND I AM PLEASED THAT THE KAZAKH GOVERNMENT HAS, THIS WEEK, SIGNED A LANDMARK AGREEMENT WITH CHEVRON CORPORATION TO OPEN THE TENGIZ OIL FIELD.

-- IN ORDER TO EXPAND TRADE, I'VE ASKED FOR OUR ABLE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE BARBARA FRANKLIN TO FORM A BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TO WORK WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT TO INCREASE CONTACTS BETWEEN PRIVATE KAZAKH AND AMERICAN FIRMS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING MUCH NEEDED FOOD AND MEDICAL AID. THE U.S. ALSO STANDS READY WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ON A RANGE OF ISSUES, FROM FOOD DISTRIBUTION TO SPEEDING THE CONVERSION OF DEFENSE SECTOR INDUSTRY TO CIVILIAN ECONOMY.

-- BUT GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE IS JUST ONE PART OF AN OUTPOURING OF AMERICAN SUPPORT. AS PRESIDENT, I AM PLEASED TO SEE THE ACTIVE EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF PRIVATE CITIZENS TO PROVIDE AID TO

YOUR NEW NATION -- VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS LIKE PROJECT HOPE AND MERCY CORPS, TO THE CITY OF WAUKESHA, WISCONSIN, WHICH HAS SENT 40,000 POUNDS OF FOOD, MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND CLOTHING TO

ITS KAZAKH SISTER CITY.

-- LIKE ALL OF THE FORMER REPUBLICS OF THE SOVIET EMPIRE, KAZAKHSTAN FACES CHALLENGES THAT GO BEYOND THE NEED TO BUILD STRONG, COMPETITIVE ECONOMY. AFTER MORE THAN 70 YEARS OF COMMUNIST RULE, KAZAKHSTAN AND ITS COMMONWEALTH NEIGHBORS ARE ENGAGED IN THE DIFFICULT TASK OF NATION-BUILDING. AT ISSUE THE FIRST QUESTIONS OF GOVERNMENT AND SOCIETY: RESPECT FOR RULE OF LAW; THE ROLE OF POLITICAL PARTIES; OF FREE PRESS AND INDEPENDENT MEDIA; THE FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION AND THE FREEDOM OF THE INDIVIDUAL.

-- ON BEHALF OF ALL AMERICANS, I PLEDGE THE SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. KAZAKHSTAN SEEKS A FUTURE THAT IS PEACEFUL, PROSPEROUS AND FREE.

-- AND ONCE AGAIN, MR. PRESIDENT, IT HAS BEEN A SPECIAL PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME YOU TO WASHINGTON, TO WELCOME YOU TO THE WHITE HOUSE. AND MAY GOD BLESS YOUR GREAT COUNTRY. (APPLAUSE)

PRESIDENT NAZARBAYEV: ESTEEMED MR. PRESIDENT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, AS YOU ALREADY KNOW, THE STATE DELEGATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ITS HISTORY IS HERE AT AN OFFICIAL INVITATION OF PRESIDENT BUSH. WE HAVE JUST SIGNED THE KEYSTONE DOCUMENTS THAT WILL REGULATE THE ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. THIS IS THE TRADE AGREEMENT, THE INVESTMENT AND INSURANCE AGREEMENT AND THE AGREEMENT ON THE PROTECTION OF INVESTMENTS.

-- VERY BRIEFLY, THE ESSENCE REVOLVES AROUND TRADE AGREEMENT BECAUSE THIS IS THE KEYSTONE AGREEMENT THAT WILL ENTITLE

KAZAKHSTAN AND THE UNITED STATES TO ENTER A NEW LEVEL OF RELATIONS. AND THIS AGREEMENT WILL SERVE AS A BASIS FOR KAZAKHSTAN TO BE GETTING U.S. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND ENCOURAGING VARIOUS FINANCIAL AND EXPORT COOPERATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BANK.

-- THE DOCUMENTS, IN ITS TURN, OBLIGATE US TO WORKING TOWARD THE STATUS OF A MOST FAVORED NATION IN THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND ALSO, IN ADJUSTING THE EXISTING LEGISLATION AND IN KAZAKHSTAN SO THAT THEY MEET THE REQUIREMENTS SET BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND GATT. IT COINCIDES WITH THE DESIRE OF KAZAKHSTAN TO STRICTLY OBSERVE INTERNATIONAL NORMS AND TO FOLLOW THE COURSE APPROVED BY THE

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-- WE PEOPLE OF KAZAKHSTAN ALSO SEE SOMETHING DIFFERENT IN THESE DOCUMENTS. THE PRINCIPLES PROVIDED FOR IN THESE DOCUMENTS WILL SERVE AS A GUIDE FOR KAZAKHSTAN ON ITS WAY TOWARD A MARKET ECONOMY. WE REALIZE THAT WE'VE JUST MADE THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS THIS OBJECTIVE. AND I'D LIKE TO INDICATE THAT WE CAME OVER TO THE UNITED STATES TO LEARN, AND I'D LIKE TO ASSURE YOU THAT WE'LL TRY TO BE GOOD STUDENTS AND LEARN AS MUCH AS WE CAN.

-- AND WE ARE DEEPLY CONVINCED THAT DEVELOPING THESE RELATIONS WITH FOREIGN NATIONS, PARTICULARLY WITH THE UNITED STATES WE WILL MANAGE TO SUCCESSFULLY FOLLOW THIS PATH. THE PREPAREDNESS FOR THIS IS IN KAZAKHSTAN'S COMMITMENT TO FOLLOW ALL INTERNATIONAL ACTS, AND PARTICULARLY THE ACTS OF 1968, AND THE OBLIGATIONS THAT KAZAKHSTAN ASSUMES NOT TO TRANSFER ITS NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND NOT TO SELL THEM.

-- KAZAKHSTAN ALSO OBLIGATES ITSELF TO HONOR THE START TREATY AS ONE OF THE PARTICIPATING PARTIES. THE EFFORTS THAT KAZAKHSTAN IS MAKING IN THE FORMATION OF IT AND MUTUAL ASSISTANCE WITH THE NEWLY-INDEPENDENT STATES MAY ALSO BE REFERRED HERE, AND ALSO, KAZAKHSTAN'S EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN PEACE WITHIN THE ENTIRE COMMONWEALTH AND WITHIN KAZAKHSTAN ITSELF.

-- OUR GOAL IS THE BUILDING OF A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY. AND SO I'D LIKE TO USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS MY THANKS TO MR. PRESIDENT, AND THE ENTIRE AMERICAN PEOPLE FOR THEIR DESIRE TO SUPPORT KAZAKHSTAN IN THE PROCESS OF DEMOCRATIC REFORMS AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION. AND ALSO FOR THE HOSPITALITY THAT WE WERE SHOWN ON THE AMERICAN SOIL.

-- IN YOUR SPEECH, MR. PRESIDENT, I HAVE RECEIVED ALL THE ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS THAT I TOUCHED ON IN THE COURSE OF TALKS TODAY. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE TRUST THAT YOU SHOWED US AND KAZAKHSTAN WILL DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO JUSTIFY THAT WE'RE VERY SINCERE IN OUR MOVE WHEN WE SAY THAT WE WANT TO HAVE THE CLOSEST AND THE WARMEST ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES.

-- IN THE COURSE OF OUR NEGOTIATIONS I EXTENDED MY INVITATION FOR MR. BUSH AND MRS. BUSH TO VISIT KAZAKHSTAN, AND THIS INVITATION HAS BEEN ACCEPTED. SO I HAVE EVERY REASON TO BELIEVE THAT OUR RELATIONSHIP WILL BE A PRODUCTIVE AND A SUCCESSFUL ONE.

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DECLARATION BY PRESIDENT BUSH AND PRESIDENT NAZARBAEV  
ON RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND KAZAKHSTAN  
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-- AT THE CONCLUSION OF THIS IMPORTANT MEETING, WE -- THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN -- HAVE RESOLVED TO DEVELOP FRIENDLY, COOPERATIVE RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES, AND WORK TOGETHER TO STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND STABILITY.

-- KAZAKHSTAN AND THE UNITED STATES FAVOR AN EARLY RATIFICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE START TREATY AS AN IMPORTANT GUARANTOR OF MAINTAINING GLOBAL STABILITY. REAFFIRMING ITS COMMITMENT TO PEACE AND SECURITY, KAZAKHSTAN SHALL, AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME, ACCEDE TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AS A NON-NUCLEAR

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STATE, WHILE PRESERVING THE RIGHT TO CONTROL OVER THE NON-USS AND REDUCTIONS OF THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS TEMPORARILY DEPLOYED ON ITS TERRITORY. KAZAKHSTAN GUARANTEES TO CARRY OUT THE ELIMINATION OF ALL TYPES OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, INCLUDING STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS, WITHIN THE SEVEN-YEAR PERIOD PROVIDED FOR IN THE START TREATY. THE UNITED STATES WELCOMES THESE STEPS AND SHALL TAKE NECESSARY MEASURES TO ASSIST KAZAKHSTAN THIS MATTER. KAZAKHSTAN AND THE UNITED STATES AGREE ON THE NEED TO ESTABLISH EFFECTIVE NATIONAL CONTROL OVER NON-PROLIFERATION OF THE WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION AND ASSOCIATED TECHNOLOGIES TO THIRD COUNTRIES.

-- THE UNITED STATES AND KAZAKHSTAN WILL WORK TO STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ON THE BASIS OF LOWER AND MORE STABLE LEVELS OF ARMAMENTS AMONG ALL NATIONS. WE COMMIT TO UPHOLD SHARED INTERNATIONAL PRINCIPLES, ESPECIALLY DEMOCRACY, RESPECT FOR BORDERS AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, AND PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES. TOGETHER WE WILL PROMOTE RESPECT FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW AND THE PRINCIPLES ENSHRINED IN THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT, THE CHARTER OF PARIS, OTHER IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS OF THE CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE, AND THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER. THE UNITED STATES WELCOMES KAZAKHSTAN'S EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH EQUAL AND MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONS WITH RUSSIA AND THE STATES OF CENTRAL ASIA AS WELL WITH OTHER STATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE PRINCIPLES. TOWARD THIS END, THE UNITED STATES WELCOMES KAZAKHSTAN'S MEMBERSHIP IN MULTILATERAL INSTITUTIONS LIKE THE UNITED NATIONS, THE NORTH

ATLANTIC COOPERATION COUNCIL, THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND, AND THE WORLD BANK, AND ITS COMMITMENT TO VALUES AND ACCEPTED NORMS OF BEHAVIOR IN THE WORLD. WE AGREE THAT OUR COUNTRIES SHOULD MAINTAIN A REGULAR BILATERAL DIALOGUE ON QUESTIONS OF PEACE AND STABILITY THAT ARE OF INTEREST TO BOTH STATES.

-- WE BELIEVE THAT THE BASIS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A LASTING PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN OUR STATES MUST BE A SHARED COMMITMENT TO PROMOTE THE VALUES OF DEMOCRACY, FREE MARKETS, AND WORLD PEACE. IN THIS REGARD, THE UNITED STATES SUPPORTS KAZAKHSTAN'S COMMITMENT TO PURSUE FAR-REACHING POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC REFORM. THE UNITED STATES WELCOMES KAZAKHSTAN'S DESIRE TO BUILD ITS

INDEPENDENCE IN FULL ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF A FREE AND DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY, INCLUDING FREE ELECTIONS, PLURALISM AND TOLERANCE, FREEDOM OF EMIGRATION, THE RULE OF LAW, AND RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, INCLUDING EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL INDIVIDUALS BELONGING TO ETHNIC OR RELIGIOUS MINORITIES. THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, IN COOPERATION WITH THE AMERICAN PRIVATE SECTOR, WILL MAKE AVAILABLE PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO HELP KAZAKHSTAN ESTABLISH THE INSTITUTIONS, IDEAS, AND PRACTICES THAT FORM THE FOUNDATION OF DEMOCRACY.

-- KAZAKHSTAN WILL SEEK TO ACCELERATE ITS EFFORTS TO MOVE TOWARD A MARKET ECONOMY THROUGH A PLAN FOR MACROECONOMIC STABILIZATION AND STRUCTURAL/MICROECONOMIC REFORM THAT WILL PROMOTE ECONOMIC RECOVERY, MARKET DEVELOPMENT, AND GROWTH. THIS PLAN WILL BE DEVELOPED IN COOPERATION WITH THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. THE UNITED STATES WILL SUPPORT SUCH A PLAN AND WILL ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO DO SO AS WELL. IN PARTICULAR, THE UNITED STATES WILL PROVIDE KAZAKHSTAN WITH ACCESS TO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO ASSIST ITS EFFORTS TO DEVELOP A MARKET ECONOMY.

-- KAZAKHSTAN AND THE UNITED STATES WILL WORK ACTIVELY TO PROMOTE FREE TRADE, INVESTMENT, AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION

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BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES. THE UNITED STATES AND KAZAKHSTAN  
HAVE SIGNED THREE ECONOMIC AGREEMENTS THAT CONSTITUTE THE  
BASIC FRAMEWORK OF OUR ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIP. THEY WILL  
PROMOTE ECONOMIC TIES BETWEEN THE TWO STATES AND WILL  
FURTHER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. WE HAVE CONCLUDED A TRADE  
AGREEMENT THAT WILL CONFER MOST FAVORED NATION TARIFF

TREATMENT ON KAZAKHSTAN, AN OPIC AGREEMENT TO MAKE  
AVAILABLE INVESTMENT INSURANCE FOR AMERICAN FIRMS INVESTING  
IN KAZAKHSTAN, AND A BILATERAL INVESTMENT TREATY. WE HAVE

ALSO AGREED TO EXPEDITE NEGOTIATIONS ON A TAX TREATY, AND  
TO DEVELOP OUR COOPERATION IN THE AREA OF SCIENTIFIC  
RESEARCH AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION. A CRITICAL FEATURE  
OF OUR COOPERATION WILL BE AN EFFORT BY KAZAKHSTAN TO LOWER  
BARRIERS TO TRADE AND INVESTMENT TO ALLOW GREATER ACCESS  
FOR AMERICAN AND FOREIGN FIRMS, ESPECIALLY IN SECTORS SUCH  
AS OIL AND NATURAL GAS, MINING, AGRICULTURE, MANUFACTURING,  
AND FOOD PROCESSING.

-- BY AGREEING TO WORK JOINTLY TO ADVANCE THESE COMMON  
INTERESTS, WE HAVE TAKEN AN IMPORTANT STEP IN THE  
DEVELOPMENT OF A STRONG, LASTING FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN  
KAZAKHSTAN AND THE UNITED STATES. THROUGH EXPANDED  
COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR GOVERNMENTS, AND EXPANDED CONTACTS  
BETWEEN OUR PEOPLES, WE SEEK TO BUILD AN ENDURING  
RELATIONSHIP THAT WILL ENHANCE THE FREEDOM AND WELL-BEING  
OF OUR NATIONS AND THE WORLD.

END TEXT OF JOINT STATEMENT.

8. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.  
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